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## AMENDMENT AFTER NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the February 10, 2004 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page two (2) of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the <u>Listing of Claims</u>, which begins on page three (3) of this paper. Claims 1, 3-13, 16-18 and 21-22 are pending, with claims 1, 12 and 16 being the only independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page nine (9) of this paper.